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BIRTHS.

On July 6th, at Portman Square, London, W.,
the wife of W. H. Shewell, Singapore, of a son.

On July 25th, at Yokohama, to Mr. and Mrs. J.
KAUFNER, a son.

MARRIAGE.

On July 7th, at Stamford Abbotts, E. T. D.
SAYLE, of Hongkong, to WINIFRED GERTHUA
MAY (FRED) LACEY.

DEATHS.

H. MARSHAL Waze, late Acting Commissioner
of Customs, into Siam, at Hanoi, of fever, on the
29th May.

On July 8th, at Tilford, Surrey, FRANCIS E.
CONEY, late of Manila, Philippine Islands, aged
49 years.

On July 27th, at Yokohama, ROLLAND MCRAE,
only son of Mr. and Mrs. CHAS. H. THOM, aged
one year.

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HONGKONG, AUGUST 6TH, 1908.

WHEN Japan, after a short experience as a
colonising power in the island of Formosa,
added to her oversea responsibilities the
Government of Korea and large admini-
strative undertakings in Manchuria she
probably did not overlook the fact that she
was affording a rare opportunity to the
series—not to mention Pharaos—for the
making of many books of a kind not in
keeping with the platiadinous character of
the long list compiled before Japan first

displayed her military prowess and impressed
the world with a new sense of the virility
of the nation. Early as it yet is to pass
judgment on Japan's work in Korea there
are not wanting critics who venture to
condemn on apparently a very imperfect
comprehension of the facts. A typical
instance may be cited from Mr. PUTNAM
WEALE's latest political treatise on the Far
East entitled, "The Coming Struggle in
Eastern Asia." The author argues that he

real object of the Mining Law which was
enacted under Japanese advice was to stop
all possibility of large European mining
interests being acquired in Korea. One of
the objects of the new regulations, he says,
was to invalidate certain important conces-
sions granted by the Korean Emperor some
time ago and unavoidably held in suspen-
sion pending the termination of the late war.
These concessions, numbering a dozen or so,
were in most cases backed by powerful
sponsors in London and New York, "and so
great an outcry was made on the promulgation
of the new law by their representatives
in Korea that in the end the European
backers were forced to take effective action."
And Mr. PUTNAM WEALE would have his
readers believe that Prince Iro yielded in
some cases to diplomatic pressure, in another
to a threat to draw public attention to
the matter in the House of Commons, and
that Excellency in yet another case practically
gave way as a bribe to Parisian bankers who are alleged to have
said that if the concessions were not granted
there might be difficulties regarding the
new Japanese Conversion Loan. The ex-
planation given by the Japanese authorities
of the delay in confirming the concessions
was that the concessionaires had not followed
the detailed regulations. When the applica-
tions were filed in due form—and not before
—it is clear, even from Mr. PUTNAM WEALE's
statement of the case, that they were in
due course considered and granted. That
there was any desire on the part of the
Japanese authorities to invalidate conces-
sions that had been properly made by the
Korean Government to foreign syndicates
is really too absurd to be accepted for one
moment. We can well believe that the
Japanese authorities in Korea were slow to
confirm the concessions, but we should be
more inclined to attribute the delay to that
slowness of movement and circumspection
which is proverbially associated with all
Governments. But, says Mr. PUTNAM
WEALE, "in the case of the well-known
American firm of COLLBRAN BOSTWICK and
Co, of Seoul, acting in the interests of the
Manchu Syndicate Ltd, and the Korean
Syndicate Ltd, no such consideration was
shown. Although the concessions held
were unimpeachable the Japanese needed
them for themselves, and although two
years have now been spent in representa-
tions it has been time wasted." Perhaps it
was since these words were penned, but cer-
tainly it was before Mr. WEALE's book was
available in the East that the dispute over
these concessions was settled in favour of the
foreign claimants, whose title to them was
certainly open to question, and delay under
the circumstances was perfectly excusable.
As against Mr. WEALE's view of Japan's
policy in this matter, we may cite a report
widely circulated recently in the Japan
papers wherein it was stated that Messrs.
COLLBRAN and BOSTWICK had discussed the
question of mining with PRINCE IRO, and
apart from expressing appreciation of the
consideration they had received at His
Excellency's hands in the matter of the
dispute over their own concession, they
are reported to have declared that
the new mining regulations for Korea were
likely to attract a large amount of Ameri-
can and European capital for the mines as
"mining machinery is admitted free of duty,"
and "the measures taken to secure the rights
of foreigners in mining properties had
given much satisfaction to the owners of
large mining claims throughout Korea."

This seems to show that Mr. PUTNAM WEALE
was much too prone to criticise on an
imperfect understanding of the situation.
The Times when referring recently to
Japan's difficulties in Korea ventured the
remark that Englishmen, at least, who
knew how the work of their countrymen
in India was incessantly misrepresented,
would be slow to join in the chorus of violent
criticism of Japan's work in Korea. Japan,
certainly has a fair claim to a more
generous consideration of her difficulties,
and it may, at least, be expected of critics
that they would make sure of their facts
before passing judgment.

Cholera is losing its grip in the rural districts
of the Philippines.

Three cases were down for hearing before
the Puisne Judge yesterday, but they were all
settled out of court.

The Japanese cruiser "Tsushima" is at
present in Hongkong, having just come from
the Paracores, where she made attempts to
salve the wreck of the "Matsushima."

The Chief Justice is occupied with a case the
hearing of which will probably last for about
nine or ten days. This is expected to be followed
by another action equally long.

A new face at the Hongkong bar is that of
Mr. McNeil, who is down from Shanghai to
assist the Hon. Mr. Pollock, K.C., in the big
case in which he is engaged at the Supreme
Court.

The hearing was adjourned sine die.

Mr. Holborow—Before your Worship decides
to grant an adjournment I might say that the
defendant left without giving any explanation
at all. I understand my friend is not concerned
with any of the specific charges brought by the
Opium Farmer.

Mr. Daniels—My friend seems to know a
great deal more about my position here than I do.
I am here to defend Captain Pennefather.
The summons was served on him yesterday
afternoon, and in the evening Messrs.
Batterfield and Swire saw Inspector Hanson
who said if the captain went away, and notified
the police when he returned, it would be all
right. I am prepared to give an undertaking
that the Opium Farmer shall be informed of his
return. I should like an adjournment until
about three weeks time. The other side cannot
be prejudiced in any way.

Mr. Holborow—Your Worship decides

TELEGRAMS.

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AERIAL RECORD.

LONDON, August 5th.

Count Zeppelin's airship has travelled
300 miles in eleven hours.

DISASTROUS BUSH FIRE.

LONDON, August 5th.

It is believed that blackbands started
the bush fire which devastated over
100 square miles of land at Kootenay
near Vancouver. Five Italian's have
been arrested.

EARTHQUAKES IN NORTH
AFRICA.

LONDON, August 5th.

Algeria has been visited by earth-
quakes.

[BRITISH SERVICE.]

A FRENCH FORCE AMBUSHED

LONDON, August 3rd.

A French detachment pursuing Chinese
bands in Tong King has been ambushed
and a captain and lieutenant killed. The
Chinese losses during the past fortnight
amount to 149 killed and 117 captured.

THE PARIS RIOTS.

LONDON, August 3rd.

The Labour Unions of Paris are arran-
ging a general strike as a protest at Thurs-
day's killing of strikers.

A resolution of the Socialist Party which
has been published, accuses the Govern-
ment of designing to murder workmen and
brands it as an executioner. It affirms the
solidarity of militant workers.

The bulk of the printers of Paris began a
twenty-four hours strike yesterday evening
and as a result over half the newspapers are
not appearing.

Yesterday passed quietly in Paris, the
orders to strike being generally disregarded.

PERSIA.

LONDON, August 3rd.

The granting of the Turkish Constitution
has caused excitement at Teheran where a
fresh outbreak is feared. Over one hundred,
mostly merchants, have taken refuge in the
Turkish Embassy; they demand the speedy
summoning of Parliament.

OPIUM IN HONGKONG.

LONDON, August 3rd.

In a long letter, Sir Henry Blake criticises
severely the closing of the opium dens in
Hongkong without investigations on the
spot. He dwells on the serious loss to the
revenue of the Colony at a time of lan-
guishing trade and increased estimates for
the Kowloon-Canton railway, and says that
as Hongkong will not kick the Imperial
Government will be stern as she always is
unless trouble threatens. She will probably
not remit an amount of the compulsory
military contribution equal to the loss of
revenue the Colony will sustain, though there
is justice in such remission, and it ought to
be granted.

A FAMOUS PERJURY CASE.

The action heard in the Supreme Court of
Hongkong, in which Wong Ka Chuen since
died was the principal case now reached
the House of Lords. It will be remembered that at
the end of the trial the issue as to whether
Wong Ka Chuen was a partner in the Lal Hing
firm his Lordship committed eight of the wit-
nesses to prison for perjury. These men mer-
chants in Hongkong appealed against this order
but the Full Court confirmed it. Part of the
sentence had been served. The petitioners
now asked for special leave to appeal on the
ground that they were not informed of the
allegations of perjury made against them, or
allowed time for their defence. Lord Robert-
son said their lordship would humbly advise
His Majesty to grant special leave to appeal.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

A telegram from Tokyo to the N.C. Daily
News states:—In reference to the arrival of
H.E. Ho Wei-ti, the new Chinese Minister to
Tokyo, and the impending departure for Peking
of Mr. Ijuin, the new Japanese Minister to
China, the Tokyo Press urges a readjustment of
Japan's policy towards China for the sake of
consolidating friendship between China and
Japan. It claims that Japan is actuated by
any selfish desire and declares that it would be
impossible for Japan to proceed from the concert
of the Powers in this Far East but it states
that this concert requires the introduction of
new life into it.

THE WOODHOUSE TROPHY.

In the match for the trophy presented by Mr.
P. P. J. Woodhouse, Assistant Superintendent
of Police, the draw in the first round is as under:
J. Watt, scratch v. McLean, scratch;
McHardy, 2 v. Ogg, 5; Baker 10 v. George
Watt, 15; Glendenning, 5 v. McLean, scratch;
Robertson 2 v. Hanson, 10; Parr, 12
v. Langley, 5; Kent, 5 v. Wilton, 6; Ritchie,
scratch v. Bell, 5; Hill 7 v. Quinn, 7.

THE WARNOCK CUP.

The following is the draw in the first round
for the Warnock Cup: J. Watt, receives 4 v.
Cameron, receives 2 points; Pitt 4 v. Withers;
2; McHardy, 2 v. Ogg, 5; Baker 10 v. George
Watt, 15; Glendenning, 5 v. McLean, scratch;
Pitt 4; Ogg, 4 v. Robertson, 4; Baker, 10 v.
Quinn, 16; Cameron, scratch v. Glendenning,
scratch; Hill, 10 v. Kent, 10; McHardy 4 v.
Langley, 4.

GOLF.

The monthly competition for the Captain's
Cap was held at Happy Valley between August
1st, and August 3rd. The following cards were
returned:—

* A. W. J. Watt 89-12 77
H. P. Thomas 95-15 77
D. E. Clark 93-14 79
M. A. Murray 89-7 82
A. Morley 100-18 82
P. P. J. Woodhouse 01-18 83
P. H. Holyoak 101-18 83

POOL.

M. A. Murray 88-7 79
D. E. Clark 11 entries.

* For Captain's Cap.

† Winner of Pool.

THE DEATH OF MR. H. MAZE.

News was received some weeks ago of the
death of Mr. H. Marshall Maze, Acting Com-
missioner of Customs at Siam, but no partic-
ulars reached the Colony. We now learn that
Mr. Maze was proceeding from Siam to
Hongkong and fell ill on the road between
Mangko and Leokay (on the Tonkin frontier)
of the dangerous malarial fever which pre-
vails there during the wet season. He reached
Hanoi in a critical condition and died on the
night of his arrival (May 29th) in the French
Military hospital. Mr. Maze joined the Customs
in 1888, and immediately before serving at
Siam, he was in charge of the Customs at
Lungshou.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, 6th August.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
(Sir F. FIGGOTT).

A QUESTION OF SALE.

The hearing of the action was resumed in
which the Hip On Insurance, Exchange and
Loan Co., Limited, and the Hongkong and
Manila Yuen Sheng Exchange and Trading
Company, Limited sued Li Po Yung and Li
Po Kam for \$49,052.62 as money lent. The
Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., who had with
him Mr. McNeill from Shanghai, and who was
instructed by Mr. Bowley, of Messrs. Bowley
and Denys, appeared for the plaintiffs, and
Mr. M. Slade, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall
Brutton on behalf of Li Po Yung and Mr.
Bavis on behalf of Li Po Kam represented the
defendants, while Sir Henry Berkely, K.C.,
instructed by Mr. Atkinson of Messrs. Deacon,
Looker and Deacon, appeared for the defendant
in the counter claim of Kwok Yik Ting.

Evidence on behalf of the plaintiffs was
called, and the hearing adjourned.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING
PUIJIN JUDGE).

THE FIREWOOD CASE.

His Lordship gave judgment for the
plaintiff in the action by Wong Chan for the
recovery of 23,930 pieces of firewood, short
delivered, or \$81.00 the value thereof, from
Messrs. Wallen & Co.

LOCAL SPORT.

SIR ROBERT HART.
ENTERTAINED IN LONDON BY THE
CHINA ASSOCIATION.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, July 8th.

The China Association last night entertained Sir Robert Hart at a dinner given at the Criterion Restaurant. The gathering was worthy of the guest, the dinner was excellent—indeed, the only flaw was that the size of the hall and the noise of the traffic outside made it difficult for all the members present to catch what Sir Robert, who spoke in a low tone for the most part, had to say. Sir Robert looked better than he did when he first arrived in London and his insomnia is not so troublesome, but the doctors have ordered him to take a holiday in Switzerland in the hope that the mountain air will bring strength to his nervous system.

Prior to the dinner the members and guests were received by Mr. J. H. Scott, chairman of the Association, who afterwards presided over the festive board. It was a goodly company, for at the Chairman's table were Sir Robert Hart, G.C.M.G., the Rt. Hon. Lord Fitzmaurice, Admiral Hon. E. Fremantle, G.C.B., Lt.-Gen. Sir Edmund Barrow, K.C.B., H.E. The Chinese Minister, Lord Li, H.E. Wang Tsieh, Et. Hon. Sir Cecil C. Smith, G.C.M.G., P.C., Admiral Sir A. W. Moore, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., Sir Charles Lucas, K.C.M.G., C.B., Lt.-Gen. Sir J. Sevan Edwards, K.C.M.G., C.B., Sir Thomas Jackson, Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G., Sir James Mackay, G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., Major-General Sir Wilson Black, K.C.B., Sir Patrick Manson, K.C.M.G., M.D., Rev. Dr. A. G. Headlam, Mr. H. M. Hillier, Sir Robert Douglas, M.J. M. Le Sage, Mr. A. G. Angier, Mr. R. S. Gandy, C.B., Mr. A. Lind, Mr. J. W. Jamieson, Brigadier General M. S. Brownrigg, Mr. R. D. Holt, M.P., Mr. W. H. Sheldford, Mr. John Swire; and at the other tables were Messrs. W. Adamson, C. G. Alabaster (Secretary), B. F. Astor, Col. W. C. Anderson, B. C. Anthrobus, Sir George Armstrong, J. F. Bandinel, R. Bandinel, F. W. Barff, R. Barret, A. J. Barry, Sir John Wolfe Barry, K.C.B., R. Blackwell, F. W. Bois, John C. Bois, Major Boisragon, L. T. Bond, H. R. Boyce, R. H. Boyce, C.B., Sir John Bramston, G.C.M.G., Byron Brendan C.M.G., Augustus Brown, Sir John McLeavy Brown, Thomas Brown, R. G. Buchan, J. Buchanan, A. R. Burkill, Andrew Burnam, H. Burrows, H. T. Butterworth, Captain K. R. Campbell, D.S.O., L. E. Canning, Geo. Cawley, George Cawton, B. W. Chalmers, W. H. Clark, C.M.G., C. Somers Cooks, C.M.G., F. Corriss, J. Corriss, J. Cul, F. A. Cumming, S. Kennard Davis, Herbert Dent, T. M. Derner, R. P. Dipple, F. Dodwell, G. B. Dodwell, G. M. Dodwell, S. H. Dodwell, Harvey Duress, Sir John Furley, C.M.G., William Gibson, J. Graham, R. M. Gray, H. H. Grimani, Cecil Hanbury, R. H. Hancock, H. S. Hancock, C. Hannen, J. C. Hanson, L. A. G. Haugraves, H. W. Harris, H. T. Hartley, Horace G. Harwood, W. Harwood, J. A. Hawke, H. G. Hayter, O. E. Hayter, C. A. Helmuth, S. Hellyer, T. W. Hellyer, R. H. Hill, H. M. Hillier, C. S. Hoberton, C. Holmstrom, E. B. Howell, H. E. Hunter, S. Hunter, E. L. Hunter, J. H. Cordiner James, Geo. Jamieson, C.M.G., J. W. Jamieson, Dr. J. Johnston, Douglas Jones, H. H. Joseph, Walter Judd, William Kenwick, M.P., T. W. Killik, H. Kopsoe, A. Lind, A. P. McEwan, M. J. D. MacFarlane, R. MacKenzie, Peter MacLean, Macrae, E. C. McLoughlin, J. A. McIlaid, F. J. Mayors, McLeish, G. H. Medhurst, Carl Meyer, J. R. Michael, L. Midwood, G. Mobsey, C.M.G., F.S.A., J. K. Morrison, Hon. C. S. Napier, W. Phené Neal, Col. R. Parry Nisbet, C.I.E., A. C. Oliphant, E. Osborne, Rev. George Owen, R.N. Padfield, John H. Perry, W. H. Poste, E. E. Porter, Geo. H. Potts, D.G.A. Reid, A. E. Reynell, R. L. Richardson, T. W. Richardson, jun., H. W. Robertson, Hon. B. Rolfe, Captain R. Murray, B.N., I.S.C., C. D. Rutherford, H. K. Rutherford, F. Salinger, E. D. Sandier, B. C. C. Scott, M. Archer Shee, Major M. Archer Shee, W. H. Sheldford, A. Falgrave Simpson, James Simpson, W. Brayton Slater, Herbert Smith, J. De Bernies Smith, E. A. Stanton, H. J. Stockton, Bean Stoker, A. P. Stoker, G. W. Swin, J. Swire, C. A. Tones, A. B. Tomkins, A. G. Tomkins, B. G. Tours, A. M. Townsend, S. J. Townsend, The Right Rev. Bishop Turner, D.D., General Sir Henry Tucson, K.C.B., J. B. Twentyman, J. M. Viokers, Joseph Walton, M.P., Fred Ward, Humphry Ward, W. C. Ward, T. H. Whitehead, E. S. Whitehead, E. S. Wheeler, H. C. Wilcox, B. Chatterton Wilcox, James Wilson, Thomas Worthington, G. M. Young, and A. Zimmerman.

Grace was said by the Rev. Bishop TURNER, D.D. After the dinner the CHAIRMAN in turn proposed the toasts of the King, the Emperor of China, The Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales and the other members of the Royal Family, all of which were cordially honoured and then Mr. SCOTT proceeded to propose the health of Sir Robert Hart, amid loud applause.

The CHAIRMAN said—The toast I have to propose to you will be, I am sure, received with the utmost cordiality. Never before in the history of this Association have the members had the honour of entertaining the honoured guest we have with us to-night, whose distinguished and unique career we all look upon with admiration. (Applause). Never since the

Westward movement has the East to

carve their way to fame and fortune had a man

attained by hard work and powers of organisa-

tion such a high position as the administrator

of a great department of the state or held that

high position for so long a time as Sir Robert

Hart. (Applause).

I think I am safe in asserting that never in our history has any one man held for the term of forty-five years such a great administrative position as has our guest. (Applause). Merely touching briefly upon the salient points of his

record I will not stand between you and his speech for many minutes. That record has been such that it has attracted the greatest interest throughout the civilised world—(Applause).

It requires a great deal of thought to realise what a period of half a century spent in a tropical country means, and yet it was in 1854 that Mr. Hart, as he then was, joined the Superintendency of Trade of Hongkong. He remained in that service for a period of five years, and then by permission he joined the newly-formed service of the Chinese Imperial Customs. Within two years he rose to Deputy Inspector in that service and in a further two years he became chief of the department, a position he still retains. All of us who have resided in the Far East or have been in business there know how great the changes have been. But I do not think any of us can realise that in the same way as our guest can, for he has been in touch with all the great influences and all the changes that have arisen since he came into the service. I do not pretend to speak with perfect statistical accuracy but roundly speaking I believe that he first took hold of the service its total foreign and Chinese staff was only a few hundred. At the present time the Customs Staff, including the important Postal service, numbers twelve to thirteen thousand persons, foreign and Chinese, and it says not a little for the Inspector-General that he has organised that body of men, has made appointments to various important posts, without a word being said against his judgement by anyone—(Applause). All of us who have resided in that country know what a splendid body of men the Customs officials are—(Applause). It is a great gift in a man, gentleman, to be able to select men and I am perfectly sure the magnificent results of Sir Robert Hart's efforts have been largely due to his powers of selection of men for important work. (Applause).

There were only seven ports to deal with when he first began and now there are something over forty. The revenue only amounted to seven or eight million taels while now they reach forty million taels. Foreign trade is those days did not total much over 100,000,000 taels, and I think I am correct in saying it is now over eight hundred million taels. Besides, that vast increase in the trade and revenue and the organisation and administration required to deal with it, it must be borne in mind that the trade has grown much more varied, because in those early days the important export trade largely consisted of tea and silk and the import trade was mainly Lancashire and Yorkshire goods, and the collection of duty was very simple compared with the present duty on the thousand-and-one things required in that great Empire (Applause).

All the civilised countries of the world have recognised the great services Sir Robert Hart has rendered to them and their nationals (Applause). He has received honours from all countries, and I think you are aware that he has received some that have never before been conferred on any Englishman or other European. I cannot go over the list of Chinese honours he has received, but there is the unique one of ancestral rank going back to three generations—a distinction only conferred by the Chinese on one held in the very highest esteem. (Applause).

But of all the letters Sir Robert Hart can attach to his name there is none I am certain he values more than those by which he is known over the length and breadth of China, where he is familiarly called by everyone in the country. The I. G. I venture to assert that there can never be another I. G. such as Sir Robert Hart. (Applause).

There will doubtless arise good and able men but it is not given to ordinary men to fulfil such a position so long, or to be able to form an organisation, an important service, out of nothing so to speak, and then to bring it to the point of perfection in which it now rests. (Applause). All those engaged in China trade know there is no better working service in the world than the service he has built up, and no service which gives more information to the trading community (Applause).

In the trading returns issued by his statistical department quarterly and annually there is information that is of the greatest benefit to the trading community and the consular officials also who are entrusted with British interests in the Far East (Applause).

I would only add one word: To those generations who come after us and who was Sir Robert Hart? It will only be necessary to direct the reply contained in the well known line "Si monumentum requiri, circumspice" (Loud applause).

Sir ROBERT HART received a tremendous ovation on rising to speak and was visibly moved by the enthusiasm. He said—I rise to express my profound gratitude to you for the great honour you have done me and for the flattering way you, sir, have propounded this toast of my health. During the long years I have stayed in China I have often heard of the China Association, and I consider it a great honour to be your guest to-night and to meet you in London. The Association has been following affairs in the East in a very careful manner and has taken special note of anything relating to China, whether national, domestic, political or commercial, and it has given the world the benefit of its views on matters of common interest. Whether or not the opinions differed from those of other people, one thing I have been convinced about, that it is certain you have had and have now a genuine concern and sympathy for the welfare of China. (Applause).

Sir Robert Hart had not told them that in 1885 it was not the fault of the Foreign Office that he did not take rank in the long and honoured list of diplomats of this country, for Lord Granville offered him the post of Minister to China and he accepted it, but subsequently, from a high sense of duty that he should stick to the post he held. He acted in a manner which raised his reputation already high, and though he had deprived diplomacy of the services of one who would have adorned the service he had since done incalculable

benefit to this country, to other nations, and to China herself (Applause). Touching China again, the position at this time was singularly fortunate and satisfactory. The Foreign Office had brought to a close railway negotiations and though there were trade marks and warehousing regulations to consider there were no serious difficulties outstanding.

Mr. BROWNE BROWN proposed the toast of the Chairman in a happy speech and Mr. SCOTT briefly responded, paying a tribute to other officials of the Association, particularly to Mr. Gundry and Sir Charles Dodgson.

A very notable evening then came to a close.

PENNY-A-WORD CABLES.

PROJECT TO UNIFORM RATE THROUGHOUT EUROPE.

In spite of the discouraging results of the International Telegraphic Conference at Lisbon, reformers are again making efforts to secure reductions in cable rates throughout the world.

The only good results of the conference were a few reductions in the charges for telegrams between Great Britain and some of the more distant countries of Europe. For large countries the terminal rate per word is to be reduced from ten to nine centimes (one centime being one-tenth of a penny) and the transit rates from eight to seven centimes. For small countries the corresponding reductions will be from six and a half to six and from four to three and a half centimes respectively.

MANY REDUCTIONS.

For over a year influential committees have been in active operation in London, Berlin, Paris, Rome, Brussels, the Hague, and Constantinople, with the object of bringing about the desired reform of "the world—one penny" in Europe. Sir Edward Sassoon, M.P., has been at the head of the movement, strongly supported in his country by Mr. Bonham Carter, M.P., and others.

That continual pressure by Chambers of Commerce and similar bodies is not without effect is shown by the following table of reductions of the rate per word in the seven years 1897-1904, but the reformers are very far from satisfied with the rate of progress.

PROHIBITIVE TABLE.

The reformers maintain that the charges from one country to another should not exceed the combined rates of the two countries. Between England and Ireland, Scotland and the British Isles and Channel Isles the rate is 4d. a word. The charge between France and Algeria is less than 4d. 5 centimes) per word. But the charge from England to France is 2d. a word. In Queensland (Australia) a telegram can be sent 3,000 miles for 1d. per word. The length of Europe is only 3,400 miles, and its breadth 2,400 miles.

No fewer than 97 per cent. of the cable messages across the Atlantic to America are sent in code. The tariff is common to the two countries in competition. The actual carrying capacity of all the Atlantic cables is 300 million words a year. Only twenty-five million words are sent, and the rate of 1d. a word is considered prohibitively prohibitive for domestic and friendly messages.

1897	1904	
s. d.	s. d.	
To India	4 0	2 6
China	5 6	4 6
Bathurst (Columbia)	5 11	3 6
Sierra Leone	6 9	3 6
Adzca	8 0	4 8
Gold Coast	8 2	5 10
Lagos	8 10	5 0
Banby	9 3	5 0

A few years ago the British and some Continental Governments bought the cable from Britain to Germany, France, Holland, and Belgium, and there was an immediate reduction from 2d. to 2d. per word. The result was that 800,000 more words were sent in the year following the reduction and the increase of the revenue to the Post Office on this branch of the service was nearly 50 per cent.

G.P.O.'S ATTITUDE.

The Postmaster-General will at an early date, issue officially the scale of reduced charges for telegrams between Britain and various European countries agreed upon at the Lisbon Convention.

Dissatisfaction has been shown at the small reductions, in most cases 4d. or less per word, and reformers blame the Post Office. But a high official at St. Martin's-le-Grand said in an interview: "One penny a word messages throughout Europe are impossible. They would mean an immense loss. How is Mr. Bonham Carter or any advocate of cheaper rates to get over the fact that the majority of the European countries will not agree to it?"

"To suggest penny-a-word messages throughout the world is simply nonsense. The cable companies are not charitable institutions, and will strenuously oppose any such suggestion unless they are subsidised to assist to the extent of their several incomes, Mr. Henriquez-Benton anticipated an enormous increase in business with cheaper rates. He would require it to earn the present income of the companies. Over Queensland penny-a-word messages are in being, but do not pay. Even halfpenny-a-word rates in the United Kingdom do not pay.

The British Post Office may fairly congratulate itself on great reductions in cable rates within the last few years. Not very long ago the tariff to India varied from 3s. 1d. to 6s. 6d. a word, to Cape Colony from 8s. 1d. to 9s. 2d.; to Australia, 9s. 4d.; and to Columbia, 2s. To-day they are respectively, 2s. 2d., 2s. 9d. to 3s., and 2s. 4d. to 2s. 9d. The Post Office is quite sympathetic towards reasonable reductions. Let cable-rate reformers evolve a practicable scheme, and no one will be more ready to give it consideration than the Postmaster-General throughout the world."

LIBEL ACTION AGAINST A SINGAPORE NEWSPAPER.

Mr. Justice A. G. Law, sitting in the Supreme Court, Singapore, gave his decision on the issue arising in connection with the libel action being brought by the Chetties and Chetty community of Singapore, against the Straits Times Press, Limited.

The point before the Court was whether, on the assumption that the article published was libellous and was a libel directed against all Chetties, the particular Chetty community of Singapore would have a right of action against the Straits Times Press, Limited. On the issue, His Lordship gave judgment for the defendant company.

Mr. E. C. Ellis, for defendant company, asked for costs on the issue.

His Lordship—Of course, I do not know what Mr. van Sonnen proposes to do. I do not know whether this will conclude the case at all.

Mr. van Sonnen said he would take time to consider whether plaintiffs would appear or would give leave to amend.

His Lordship gave costs on the issue to defendant's in the action.

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COTES MEDOC	Nice Luncheon Wine	Per Doz. Qts.	Per Doz. Pts.
ST. EMILIEEN, Good Dinner Wine	... 6.50	33.25	
ST. JULIEN, Superb Dinner Wine	... 8.00	4.50	
ST. ESTEPHE, Superior Fine Flavour	... 10.00	5.50	
COS. ST. MICHEL,	... 12.50	6.75	
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Hongkong, 28th July, 1908.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM CEYLON PAPERS.]

ENGLISH CRICKET.

London, July 18th.

The matches between Surrey and Lancashire;

Kent and Middlesex, Warwick and Leicester were abandoned without a ball being bowled, owing to rain. Some play was possible in the match between York and Essex but this was also eventually abandoned. The matches between Gloucester and Northampton, Sussex and Hampshire, and Somerset and Worcester were drawn.

KING EDWARD AND THE EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA TO MEET.

London, July 19th.

Arrangements are being made for the meeting of King Edward and the Emperor of Austria at Ichl on the 12th August.

ILLEGIT TRAFF

NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, &c., should be addressed to THE MANAGER. Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be discontinued until cancellation. Orders for extra copies of DAILY PRESS should be sent in before 11 a.m. on day of publication, after that hour the supply is limited. Only supplied for Cash. Telegraphic Address: Press, Codex A.B.C., 555 M.
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE.

A POWERFUL TELESCOPE in Good Condition with Stand. Apply to— Box 83. Care of "Daily Press" Office, Hongkong, 8th August, 1908. 1155.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 8th August, 1908, at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Central (Corner of Ice House Street), A LARGE ASSEMBLAGE OF JAPANESE CURIOS, Comprising—

KINKOSEN SATSUMA TEA SETS, VASES, BOWLS, PLATES, MAKUDZU and Various kinds of PORCELAIN WARE, DINNER, TEA and COFFEE SERVICES, SILK-HAMBOILED BED and TABLE COVERS, GOWNS, SCREENS, GOLD and SILVER CLOISONNE WARE, BRONZE and BRASS WARE, &c., &c., &c. Catalogues will be issued. Terms—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 8th August, 1908. 1156.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer, "DELHI," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed AT THREE BULK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. This vessel brings on cargo—

From London, &c., ex. a. "Mongolia," From Persian Gulf ex. B. L. S. N. & R. P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 11th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 5th August, 1908. 1157.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (Florio and Rubattino United Companies).

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE. THE Steamship "

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All Claims must be sent to the Office of the undersigned before NOON on the 15th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All Claims will be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 5th August, 1908. 1158.

CHINA EXPRESS CO., 3, DUDDELL STREET.

FOR SALE a Quantity of NETTING for TENNIS COURTS, etc., at least than half cost.

GÖTZ ANSCHÜTT FLOOR PLANS CAMBRIA, PHOTO MATERIALS, DISHES and CHEMICALS, Hongkong, 8th August, 1908. 1050.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Business of NG YU, alias KWONG HING LOONG (a name well-known to Foreigners), Mating Dealer, of Ngao-Chow Tai-kuai, Honam, Canton, was purchased from KAM I' WOON, in the year 1904, and the Firm was henceforth known as NG KI, alias KWONG HING LOONG, and the aforesaid KAM I' WOON was employed as a Broker to secure orders.

In the year 1905 WONG TSEI LAN became Sole Proprietor of the business, having bought out all the other Shareholders. The name of the Shop was thereupon changed from NG KI to NG YU alias KWONG HING LOONG, and KAM I' WOON still remained in the employ of the Firm as Broker, until the beginning of 1908, when he was discharged and ceased to be connected with the Firm.

It having recently been discovered that the name of KWONG HING LOONG has been forged by some person or persons with intent to defraud, the PUBLIC ARE HEREBY WARNED against such fraudulent persons.

NG YU, KWONG HING LOONG, Mating Dealer, Ngao-chow Tai-kuai, Honam, Canton, Hongkong, 8th August, 1908. 1153.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTY-FOURTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders in the Co. will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 11th August at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of Directors; and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th July to 11th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. E. CLARKE, Secretary, Hongkong, 20th July, 1908. 1050.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of August, 1908, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1908.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 1st August, 1908. 1148.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY the 10th instant to SATURDAY, the 22nd instant (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer for Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 1st August, 1908. 1149.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING COMPANY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's Building, Connaught Road, on MONDAY, 24th August, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1908.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. L. BOSE, Secretary, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1908. 1152.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Provisional Certificate No. 43/102 dated Hongkong 28th November, 1907, for Six Shares of this Bank numbered 53,801 to 53,806 included in the name of Miss ELLA DENISON FIZZIE, has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 30th August, 1908, a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 43/102 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 30th July, 1908. 1154.

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By Order of the Board of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1908. 1156.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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By Order of the Board of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1908. 1157.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

ENTERTAINMENT

BOXING! BOXING!

The Greatest Boxing Contest Hongkong Ever Witnessed.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, SATURDAY, 8th August, 1908.

MAIN EVENT: 25 ROUNDS.
"BATTLING" SIMMS versus JIMMIE O'ROURKE
(148 lbs. both of U.S.S. "Wilmington")
\$500 Gold Purse \$1,000 Side Bet.

ENSGN. W. D. GREENHAM, U.S.N.

Referee.

Preliminaries: 6 ROUNDS.
"HEINIE" MILLER versus JIMMIE MCFADDEN
(128 lbs. both of U.S.S. "Wilmington")

"SHOBIE" MCKENNA U.S.S. "Wilmington" versus

"AMIE" COYNE (124 lbs.) H.M. Naval Yard.

NOTICE.—The SIMMS versus O'ROURKE fight is a return match, their first encounter having resulted in a 15 rounds draw at Shanghai, while "Shobie" MCKENNA was serving on board the U.S.S. "Galveston." TICKETS: \$1, \$2, \$3, and Ringside \$5.

THE MANAGEMENT.

First Contest start at 8.30 P.M. sharp.

Doors open at 8 P.M.

Booking plans now open at the

ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD.

W. H. BABKOFSKI, Com. Std., U.S.N.

1180 U.S.S. "Wilmington."

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "YARNA"

COMPAGNIES DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or S.S. "Charente," in connection with the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Dock Co., Ltd. at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Hills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 10th inst., at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me or to the 10th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. NALIN,
Acting Agent,
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1908.

MARTIN'S
APIOL & STEEL
PILLS
(for Ladies).

A French Remedy for all Irritations. Theodora Ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house, on that the first irritation disappears. Those who use them recommend them. They are the best and strongest. Price 10c.

MARTIN, C. & CO., NEW YORK, U.S.A.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 700 tons, 10 guns, 3000 h.p., Comdr. C. T. Fuller, Weihaiwei.

Asura, 2nd class cruiser, 4360 tons, 10 guns, 7000 h.p., Captain E. E. C. Ryan, en route Singapore.

Bedford, British cruiser, Capt. S. E. Brakine, R.N., Weihaiwei.

Bramble, gunboat, 710 tons, 300 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. Hon. R. O. D. Bridgeman, Hongkong.

Britannia, gunboat, 710 tons, 300 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. F. B. Noble, Yangtsze.

Cadmus, British sloop, 1070 tons, Comdr. B. L. Maynard, Weihaiwei.

Clio, British sloop, 1070 tons, Comdr. C. D. S. Rajah, Shanghai.

Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 310 tons, 6 guns, 5700 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. G. R. Grason, Weihaiwei.

Flora, 2nd class cruiser, 4360 tons, 10 guns, 7000 h.p., Captain Roland Nugent, Weihaiwei.

Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 295 tons, 6 guns, 4000 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. W. H. Darwall, Weihaiwei.

Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 295 tons, 6 guns, 4000 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. G. C. Dickens, Weihaiwei.

Jama, torpedo-boat destroyer, 320 tons, 6 guns, 3900 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. C. A. Fremantle, Weihaiwei.

Kent, armoured, 9200 tons, 14 guns, 22000 h.p., Captain G. C. A. Moresco, Weihaiwei.

King Alfred, British cruiser, Flag ship of Vice Admiral the Hon. Sir Hardwicke Lambton, Commander in Chief, 14100 tons, Captain L. Clinton-Baker, Weihaiwei.

Kindra, river gunboat, 610 tons, Lieutenant Comdr. Sidney H. Templer, Yangtsze.

Marlin, surveying ship, 1050 tons, 6 guns, 1400 h.p., Comdr. F. H. Walter, Jesselton.

Monmouth, cruiser, 9500 tons, Captain G. W. Smith, Weihaiwei.

Moors, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieutenant Comdr. C. C. Walcott, West Indies.

Nightingale, river gunboat, 255 tons, 240 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. R. S. Roy, Yangtsze.

Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 385 tons, 5 guns, 6300 h.p., Paid off.

Robin, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. J. White, Hongkong.

Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. H. R. Tickell, Hongkong.

Ship, river gun-boat, 25 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. Alan Dixon, Yangtsze.

Taku, torpedo boat destroyer, 200 tons, 2 guns, Hongkong.

Tamar, receiving ship, 4600 tons, 6 guns, Commodore Stokes, Hongkong.

Teal, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieutenant Comdr. H. R. Godrie, Yangtsze.

Thistle, gunboat, 710 tons, 300 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. H. T. Attlay, Hongkong.

Virago, torpedo-boat destroyer, 355 tons, 6 guns, 3900 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. G. R. Grason, Weihaiwei.

Waterwitch, surveying ship, 620 tons, 450 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. H. P. Douglas, Port Swetnam.

Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5 guns, 5900 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. J. Kiddie, Hongkong.

Widebeam, gunboat, 195 tons, 2 guns, 300 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. John F. Knott, Yangtsze.

Woodcock, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. H. E. V. Cotterell-Dormer, Yangtsze.

Woodlark, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieutenant Comdr. G. E. Livingstone, Yangtsze.

THE TRADE OF NORTH FORMOSA.

The Report on the Trade of North Formosa for the year 1907 by Mr. Consul Chalmers states:—

The total trade of Tamsui and Keelung, in North Formosa, for the year 1907, amounted to \$3,603,452 against \$3,539,028 in 1906, showing an increase of \$64,424. The foreign imports into Tamsui, however, have declined nearly 200,000, as compared with 1906, and the exports also show a decrease of over \$119,00.

The exports from Keelung to foreign countries on the other hand, show an increase of about \$18,000. The falling-off in the exports from Tamsui and the increase in those from Keelung are both explained by the fact that only about 2,500,000 lbs. of Oolong tea were exported from the former port as against over 3,000,000 lbs. in 1906, the bulk of the tea being shipped now from Keelung.

The imports of Keeling from Japan show an increase of nearly 200,000 and the exports from Keelung to Japan an increase of over 100,000.

The following table gives the shipments of Oolong from Tamsui and from Keelung:

1906. 1907.

Shipments of Oolongs from Tamsui to Amyo ... Lbs. Lbs.

Tamsui to Amyo ... 8,366,820 2,483,220

Keeling to America ... 10,247

Total ... 17,855,677 17,034,123

The export of tea from Amyo has again greatly diminished, and it is probable that next season it will be shipped from Keelung direct, with the exception of shipments to London and small miscellaneous shipments.

Poughoung—Shipments were all from Tamsui to Amyo for distribution to the Straits Settlements and Java. They amounted to 160,000 half-chests against 110,500 half-chests in 1906.

SHIPPING.

Tamsui—There were no British ships entered or cleared at Tamsui during the year 1907. The weekly service to Hongkong has been regularly maintained by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, also the bi-monthly service to Foochow and Amoy.

Keelung—The junk trade with China continues to decline, and 8 small steamers represent the direct trade with Japan.

Keeling—The shipping engaged in foreign trade entered at Keelung shows a slight increase, but a number of vessels which entered during the year to load bunker coal are not included in the returns. Amongst these there were 5 or 6 British steamers and 1 Japanese steamer which visits Petras Island about once a month.

Japanese vessels engaged in trade between Keeling and Japan show an increase of 48 vessels and 6,177 tons as compared with 1906, and there were no foreign vessels at all so engaged during the year.

Government railways.—Another section of the through railway line from Keeling to Takao was opened to traffic on February 20, 1908. This is the section from Sanshio to Korishio, a distance of 9 miles, which has involved some very heavy tunnelling and bridging work. There are eight tunnels and three rivers have to be crossed, including the river bed of the Daianku, which is crossed by a bridge 180 feet long and supported by eight spans. Only about 4 miles of the permanent way remains to be opened, and this it is expected will take place this year (1908). Meanwhile the journey from the capital to Taiwan has been reduced to 12 hours 13 minutes, the distance being 200 miles.

The construction of the line from the capital to So-o-pi Gilan, construction of the west and east of the island, which was successfully surveyed last year, is to be deferred in favour of a new project, which will tend to open up the hitherto uncivilised portions of Taio in the east. The first section to be laid will be between Kwarenko and Bakusukaku, a distance of 45 miles. This will then be extended south to Taio (Pinas) and north to So-o, and finally the above-mentioned line from the capital to So-o will be constructed.

The long looked for railway at Taihoku is nearing completion, and it is expected that it will be opened in the autumn of 1908.

Keeling harbours works.—The harbour improvement scheme referred to in last year's report is progressing rapidly, and it is expected that the sea walls and quays running from the railway station towards the mouth of the harbour, 1,500 feet long, will in 1908 be sufficiently near to completion to allow of small steamers going alongside. There will be a uniform depth of 30 feet of water along the quays and in the anchorage.

Taihoku water works.—Water works for the capital have for long been engaging the attention of the authorities, and are at last in course of construction. The cost is to cover two fiscal years, 1907-08 and 1908-09, \$7,500, being expended in the first year and 102,500 in the second year, the total being 190,000.

The water is drawn from a river about 4 miles from Taihoku, and the settling beds, the filtering beds, and reservoirs have already been constructed. The water is led to the south gate of the city in 20-inch steel pipes, and will be distributed in iron pipes of from 4 to 14 inches. The pipes are being procured in the United States; of these a quantity has already arrived.

Mines.—There are three gold mines in Formosa, all situated in Keeling Prefecture. The production of gold, silver and copper at these mines in 1907 was as follows:

Mine. Gold Silver Copper.

American oil ... Cases. American oil ... Cases.

Japanese oil ... 98,000 Japanese oil ... 85,631

Sumatran oil ... 57,128 Sumatran oil ... 47,528

Total ... 161,761 Total ... 161,761

* Units.

SOUTH FORMOSA. Cases.

American oil ... 90,602 American oil ... 90,602

Japanese oil ... 17,153 Japanese oil ... 17,153

Laugat oil ... 4,754 Laugat oil ... 4,754

Total ... 112,491 Total ... 112,491

Note.—For purposes of calculation the case or unit may be taken as 10 gallons.

Deliveries of Sumatra oil—Deliveries of Sumatra were 58,743 units against 62,275 units in 1906. The deficiency is not in any way due to a falling-off in the popularity of the oil, which is good and well liked, but to the high price at which it was held in the last quarter of the year, during which period deliveries fell off considerably. But for this the year's business would in all probability have been larger than in 1906.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 CHATHAM, British str., 2,316, A. J. Duff, 5th August—Calao 24th June, China.
 CHIYUEN, Chinese str., 1,171, C. Stewart, 5th August—Shanghai 2nd Aug., General Chinese.
 CHOSHUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,204, Suruga, 5th August—Shanghai 30th July, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
 DAONY, Norwegian str., 883, Abrahamson, 4th August—Nashwang, Daly and Chefoo 30th July, General—Asgard, Thoresen & Co.
 DELHI, British str., 4,783, B. W. H. Snow, 5th August—Bombay July 22nd, and Singapore 31st, Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 HANUM, British str., 1,183, J. S. Reach, 5th Aug.—Foochow Aug. 2nd, Amoy 3rd, and Swatow 4th, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
 ISCHIA, Italian str., 2,491, Bolte, 5th Aug.—Bombay 17th, and Singapore 29th, General—Carlopoli & Co.
 JOSHIN MARU, Japanese str., 702, H. S. Smith, 5th Aug.—Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 4th Aug., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
 KING GEORGE, Brit. ship, 4th Aug.—Canton.
 PROTEUS, Norwegian str., 1,024, C. Miller, 3rd Aug.—Saigon 29th July, Rice—Asgard, Thoresen & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
 5th August.
 AJAC, British str., for Yokohama.
 Bellerophon, British str., for Seattle.
 Dagny, Norwegian str., for Canton.
 Delhi, British str., for Shanghai.
 Glenfallach, British str., for Amoy.
 Kueichow, British str., for Swatow.
 Lao ts, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

4th August.
 KOHISICHANG, German str., for Bangkok.
 NEDITE, Dutch str., for Canton.
 5th August.
 ARCONIA, Russian str., for Vladivostock.
 BINGO MARU, Japanese str., for Singapore.
 CHILLI, British str., for Illichov.
 KNYSNEBERG, German str., for K. C. Wan.
 KWANGLE, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
 MATHILDE, German str., for Hoilow.
 SHOSHI MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
 WONGKEI, German str., for Bangkok.
 YATATA MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
 YOCHOW, British str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Hawke* reports: Strong N.E. wind with moderate sea and clear weather throughout passage.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

August 5th.
 ABERDEEN DOCKS—Peachants.
 KOWLOON DOCKS—Soriong, Courfield, Cranley, Charles Hardouin, Laihang, Amara, Sancheong, H.M.S. Whiting, Fausang, COMMETOPOLITAN DOCKS—Standard, Vandalia.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

For SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"AREATOON APCAR." Captain A. Steward, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 6th August, at NOON, instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers and is fitted throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

For Freight or Passage apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1908. 1113

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Beach, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW the 7th inst., at 2 P.M.

A reduction of 20 per cent. on First Class Fares to Foochow, will be made during the Months of August and September.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1908. 1151



HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

For NEW YORK via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (with liberty to call at the Malabar Coast).

S.S. "MONTROSE" on 11th August, 1908

For Freight and Further Information, Apply to

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1908. 1070

DAMPFSCHIFFS-EHEDEREI "UNION" ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT.

For BOSTON and NEW YORK. (With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

THE Steamship

"ALBENGA,"

Captain Lorenzen, will be despatched for the above Port on the 21st August.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1908. 1114

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS LIMITED.

For LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"PLINTSHIRE,"

will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 25th August, 1908.

For Freight and Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1908. 1083

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of my Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections from seawards from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked 'k.' nearest Hongkong "h" midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CYREON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR SABAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship**"MARMORA."**

Captain G. H. C. Weston, E.N.E., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay &c. on SATURDAY, the 8th August at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's S.S. "HIMALAYA," 7,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c. will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "MARMORA," due in London on the 26th September 1908.

Packets will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars apply to F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 27th July, 1908.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rabatino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to POEN SAID, MASSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADELATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALICO. (Taking cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship**"ISCHIA."**

Captain Belzito, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 16th August, at Noon.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1908.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at PORT DARWIN, and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.

THE Steamship**"EASTERN."**

Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, 20th August, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c. throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1908. 1138

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT). Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID. Taking cargo at through rates to the BRAZIL to PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADELATIC PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship**"SILESIA."**

Capt. Radonicich, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd August, P.M.

This steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor. For information as to Passage and Freight apply to SANDELL, WEILER & CO., Agents.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1908.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DELHI.....	About 6th Aug.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	MARMORA.....	Noon, 6th Aug.	See Special of Call.....
LONDON and ANTWERP	PEIN. NUBIA.....	Aug. 12th	Advertisement.
VIA SINGAPORE, PEN.	ANG. COLOMBO PORT	Capt. F. J. Fox.....	Freight and Passage.
SAYD and MARSEILLE.....			
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE PALMA	YOKOHAMA	About 14th Aug.	Freight and Passage.
and YOKOHAMA	Capt. G. W. Cookman, E.N.E.		

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SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"KUOKIANG".....	On 7th Aug., 4 P.M.
AMOY, CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG".....	On 8th Aug., 4 P.M.
MANILA ZAMBOANGA, THURS. DAY ISLAND, OOKTOWN, CAIENS, TOWNSVILLE, BEISBANE, SYDNEY, with Transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH.....	"TEAN".....	On 11th Aug., 4 P.M.
MANILA STEAMERS & TIENSIN STEAMERS	"CHANGSHA".....	On 2nd Sept., 4 P.M.

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LINES.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BOENEQ".....	Saturday, 8th Aug., at 9 A.M.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"SCHARNHOFST".....	Wednesday, 12th Aug., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"DERFFLINGER".....	About Wednesday, 12th August.
ANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRIS. BANE & SYDNEY, and MELBOURNE	"PEIN SIGISMUND".....	Thursday, 13th Aug., at 4 P.M.

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The Empress of India with the Canadian mail left Shanghai on Monday, the 3rd inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

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Saigon.....	Thursday,	6th, 8.00 A.M.	
Salon.....	Thursday,	6th, 9.00 A.M.	
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji.....	Thursday,	6th, 11.00 A.M.	
Amanoy and Shanghai.....	Thursday,	6th, 11.00 A.M.	
Swatow, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin.....	Thursday,	6th, 11.00 A.M.	
Macao.....	Sun Tai.....	Thursday,	6th, 11.5 P.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Soerabaya and Macassar.....	Typonas.....	Thursday,	6th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Bangkok.....	Pitman's.....	Thursday,	6th, 5.00 P.M.
Hainan.....	Bongkong.....	Friday,	7th, 9.00 A.M.
Chashun Mars.....	Loosok.....	Friday,	7th, 11.00 A.M.

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Manila.....

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Taiwan.....	Thursday,	6th, 8.00 A.M.
Lacres.....	Thursday,	6th, 9.00 A.M.
Arraon Apco.....	Thursday,	6th, 11.00 A.M.
Typonas.....	Thursday,	6th, 11.00 A.M.
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Bongkong.....	Friday,	7th, 9.00 A.M.
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Loosok.....	Friday,	7th, 11.00 A.M.
Kumano Maru.....	Friday,	7th, 11.00 A.M.
Haitan.....	Friday,	7th, 1.00 P.M.
Sus Tai.....	Friday,	7th, 1.15 P.M.
Kiuklong.....	Friday,	7th, 3.00 P.M.
Yucwang.....	Saturday,	8th, 3.00 A.M.
Borneo.....	Saturday,	8th, 9.00 A.M.
Printed Matter and Samples.....	Saturday,	8th, 9.00 A.M.
Registration.....	Saturday,	8th, 9.00 A.M.
New And Dock.....	Saturday,	8th, 9.00 A.M.
Shan & H. Wharf.....	Saturday,	8th, 9.00 A.M.
Fenwick & Co., Goo.....	Saturday,	8th, 10.00 A.M.
Green Island Cement.....	Saturday,	8th, 10.00 A.M.
Hongkong & C. Gas.....	Saturday,	8th, 10.00 A.M.
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Raubs.....	Saturday,	8th, 10.00 A.M.
Peak Tramways.....	Saturday,	8th, 10.00 A.M.
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